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By the King.

¶ A Proclamation declaring His Majesties pleasure to continue His Commission, and Letters Patents for licensing Retailors of Tobacco.

¶ Hereas by His Majesties Proclamation dated at York the ninth day of April last, it was declared, That (amongst sundry other Commissions and Grants obtained upon untrue surmises) a Commission for compounding with Differ-  
dors touching Tobacco, was thereby revoked and determined; under colour whereof, and by a wilfull mistaking of His Majesties said Proclamation, sun-  
dry persons have pretended, that His Majesties Commission to the Lord Go-  
ring, and others, for licensing Retailors of Tobacco within England, Wales, and  
Barwick, was thereby called in: And therupon His Majesties Commissioners have been inter-  
rupted in their proceedings in that service for His Majesty; Tobacco in divers parts of the King-  
dome (contrary to His Majesties Proclamation of the five and twentieth of March last) hath  
been retailed without His Majesties Licence; and many of those persons who have Licences  
have forborn to make payment of their Rents: His Majesty therefore, to remove all doubts and  
questions touching the Premisses, hath thought fit (with the advice of His Council) to make  
publike declaration of His Royall intention and meaning therein, which was, That His Majes-  
ties Letters Patents, and Commission to the Lord Goring, and others, concerning the licensing  
of Retailors of Tobacco, was not impeached, or meant to be impeached by His Majesties said  
Proclamation of the ninth of April last; But that the same Letters Patents and Commission  
are still in force, and no way infringed or restrained thereby, but are still to be proceeded in and  
executed according to the tenour and true meaning thereof. And His Majesty doth further de-  
clare hereby, That His Majesty by His said Proclamation in April last, did repeal and determine  
a Commission to Laurence Lowns, and others, to compound with such, as from the ninth of April  
in the first yeer of His Majesties reigne, until the date of that Commission, had offended in de-  
frauding His Majestie of His Customes and other duties for Tobacco imported, or in planting  
Tobacco in England, or Ireland, or by importing Tobacco of the growth of other forraign parts,  
or in greater quantities then were limited, or in buying or selling the same contrary to His Ma-  
jesties Proclamations before that time published, and none other Commission touching To-  
bacco. And therfore His Majesty doth hereby require and command all manner of persons  
whatsoever whom it may concern, to take knowledge of this His Majesties Declaration and  
Confirmation of His said Letters Patents and Commission to the Lord Goring, and others,  
for the licensing Retailors of Tobacco, and that accordingly they yeeld all conformity therunto  
as is meet, upon pain of His Majesties high displeasure, and such punishment as their contempt  
or neglect of His Majesties Royall commands herein shall deserve. And lastly, His Majesty  
doth hereby require and command all Justices of Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bailliffs, Consta-  
bles, Headborroughs, and all other His Officers and Ministers whatsoever, to be aiding and as-  
sisting in the full accomplishment and execution of His Majesties Royall pleasure herein declared.

Given at His Majesties Court at Whitehall the nineteenth day of August, in the fifteenth yeer of His  
Majesties Reign.

¶ God save the King.

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